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Canada Post
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- C. †June 30, Canada Day. Four se-tenant 17c stamps showing maps of Canada from 1867 to the present. Printing — 40 million. Scott 890-93, Minkus 984-87.

NOTICE: The Canadian postal strike, which began June 30, may influence or change issues from that date on, depending upon the length of the strike. Mail from other countries will not be permitted to enter Canada until further notice, so that collectors should refrain from placing orders or otherwise sending mail to Canada for the time being.

†July 1, Duck stamp. One \$7.50 Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation stamp (revenue) for 1981-82. Nationwide release. Scott RW48, Minkus RH48.

†July 10, Edna St. Vincent Millay. Single 18c commemorative for the noted poet in the Literary Arts and Artists series. Standard size, vertical format, 50 per pane. Austerlitz, N.Y. Scott 1926, Minkus CM985.

- C. †July 22, Botany. Two se-tenant 17c stamps for botanists John Macoun and Frere Marie-Victorin, and a third 17c issue for Florales de Montreal.

- C. †July 31, Niagara-on-the-Lake. One 17c stamp to mark the bicentennial of Niagara-on-the-Lake.

†Aug. 13, Blinded Veterans. Embossed 18c stamped envelope (22¢ each), including braille inscriptions, for blinded veterans. Sizes 6 3/4 and No. 10 (no window versions). Arlington, Va. 22210.

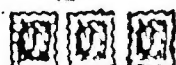
- C. †Aug. 14, Acadians. One 17c stamp to honor the Acadians and their culture.

Aug. 19, Alcoholism. Single 18c special issue to draw attention to the problem of alcoholism. Standard commemorative size, horizontal format, 50 per pane. Washington, D.C. 20013.

Aug. 28, Architecture. Block of four 18c stamps in American Architecture series. Semi-jumbo size, horizontal format, 40 per pane. Washington, D.C. 20013.

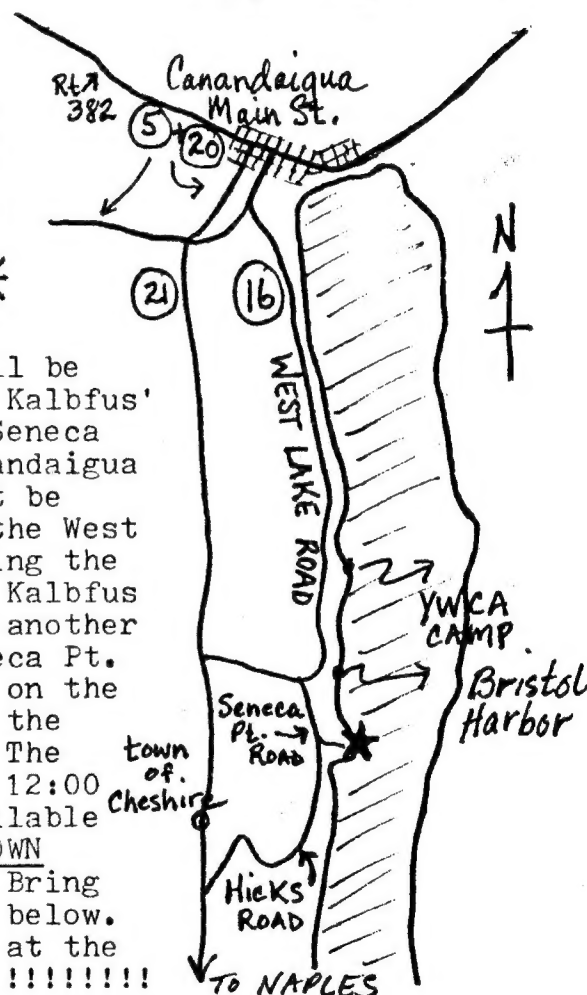
Sept. 8, Eutaw Springs. Single 12c postal card in American Revolution series depicting Gen. Nathanael Greene, noting bicentennial of the Battle of Eutaw Springs. Eutawville, S.C. 29048.

- C. Sept. 8, Aaron Mosher. One 17c stamp to honor Canadian labor leader Mosher.



* RPA PICNIC *

The RPA SUMMER PICNIC will be held August 22nd at John Kalbfus' summer house located at Seneca Pt. on the shores of Canandaigua Lake. Seneca Pt. can best be reached by driving down the West Lake Road (rt 16) following the Bistol Harbor signs, the Kalbfus summer estates are about another half mile beyond off Seneca Pt. Road. Please do not park on the lawn or block traffic on the driveway into Seneca Pt. The Picnic will start around 12:00 noon. Grills will be available but you must bring your OWN picnic food & beverages. Bring a swim suit. See the map below. Have some fun plan to be at the RPA SUMMER PICNIC !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



Alcoholism
You can beat it!
USA 18c

← NEW OFFICERS →

The results of the JUNE Elections for RPA Officers '81-'82 are that Larry Moriarty is President, Helen del Solar - VicePresident, John Kellas - Corresp. Sec., Jim Trenton - Treasurer, and John Kalbfus & Warren Steven - Board of Governors. Please support your new RPA Officers with suggestions and ideas to make the RPA better.



Nathanael Greene, Fataw Springs, 1781

HOW TO SPECIALIZE IN STAMP COLLECTING, by Bill Olcheski, published by and available from David McKay Co., 2 Park Ave., New York, NY 10016, price \$9.95.

1981 CANADA SPECIALIZED POSTAGE STAMP CATALOGUE, published by Canada Specialized Ltd. and available from the Charlton Press, 299 Queen St. West, Toronto, Ont. M5V 1Z9, Canada, price \$5 (Canadian) postpaid.

RAILWAY STAMPS, by Howard J. Burkhalter and Charles P. Wales, published by and available from the American Topical Association, 3308 N. 50th St., Milwaukee, WI 53216, price \$11 postpaid.

THE CATALOGUE OF AUSTRALIAN PRE - STAMPED ENVELOPES, by Colin Parker, published by and available from Philatelic Consulting Services, P.O. Box M35, East Dubbo, NSW, 2830 Australia, price \$6.55 (Australian) by seamount, \$9.70 by airmail.

AFA SPECIALKATALOG 1981-82 DANMARK, FAEROERN, GRONLAND, DANSK VEST-INDIEN published (in Danish) by Aarhus Frimaerkehandel, Aarhus, Denmark, and available from Jay Smith, P.O. Box 9630, Madison, WI 53715, price \$33 postpaid.

This 448-page hardbound catalogue provides a thoroughly specialized listing of the stamps of Denmark, the Faroes, Greenland and the Danish West Indies.

HIGGINS & GAGE WORLD POSTAL STATIONERY CATALOG: Price Supplements 4/D (Dahomey to Dutch New Guinea) and 17/T (Tahiti to Turks and Caicos Islands), published by and available from Classic Philatelics, P.O. Box 5637, Huntington Beach, CA 92646, price \$3.50 each postpaid.

Business as usual resumes in Canada

Mail service in Canada resumed Aug. 11 as Canada Post attempted to return to "business as usual" following a 42-day strike by postal workers.

Members of Canada's postal workforce returned to work after ratifying a new contract, and began to process mail which has been tied up in the Canadian mailstream since the strike started June 30.

While some post offices throughout Canada were able to open as necessary during the strike, stalled mail and unreceived supplies and stamps made services very limited while members of the Canadian Union of Postal Workers remained on strike.

An official directive concerning mail service to Canada was announced Aug. 12, the date post offices could begin accepting Express Mail only for Canada.

Effective midnight Aug. 16, the suspension of the Private Express Statutes for mail to Canada was to be rescinded, and regular mail service from the United States to Canada was to resume Aug. 17.

Persons who received mail that was returned as "undeliverable" due to suspension of mail service may return such items, even though canceled, to local post offices for service. All mail for Canada will be acceptable on and after Aug. 17.

A number of Canada Post stamp issues have been affected by the strike. Orders for the miniature sheets of Canada Day Map stamps were stalled in the mail system by the strike; the stamps were issued June 30, the same day the strike started.

Most sources further indicate that there was some difficulty in acquiring first day cancels June 30 in person, and stocks of the new issue were believed to be available only in scattered locations throughout Canada during the strike.

Issues released during the strike, including three commemoratives July 22 and one July 31, were reportedly available only in Ottawa, and specifically at the Canadian Postal Museum.

Stocks may have reached other offices by alternate means, but their availability outside Ottawa on any planned basis is not known.

Because of the 42-day strike, Canada Post will reportedly extend all ordering deadlines for affected stamps by 42 days, including any issues scheduled to be withdrawn from sale during the strike.

Thus, withdrawal deadlines for all 1981 Canada Post issues from the Jan. 19 Instruments issue through the June 30 Canada Day Map stamps are to be extended by 42 days.

Deadlines for the July issues are also expected to be extended accordingly, although a full 42-day extension has not been announced.

Because of the strike, collectors were not able to send privately prepared covers for first day servicing, and Canada Post tentatively indicates that no provisions will be made for any issues missed because of the strike.

However, ample supplies of official Canada Post first day covers for all issues are expected to be made available.

An additional issue — the Aug. 14 stamp honoring the Acadians and their culture — is also to be released before most collectors can send for covers, but no provisions are expected for that issue, either. Again, official first day covers may be the only alternative available.

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* NOTICE *

Board Of Governors June 11 Announcement:

Having sought and received input from the membership concerning club finances and a possible dues increase; The Board of Governors:

- voted to change the fiscal year from January 1 - December 31 to July 1 - June 30.
- voted to increase yearly dues to \$7.00 per year (\$3.50 /yr junior) to attempt to offset current operation costs. The dues increase will become effective July 1, 1982. There will also be a halfyear dues of \$3.50 covering the period from January 1, 1982 to June 30, 1982.

The Board of Governors will also investigate cost cutting measures pending government approval of the RPA's Non-Profit Status classification.

The Board of Governors asked for a vote of approval from the membership present at the RPA Business Meeting and received a majority approval, though not constitutionally a necessary measure to affect a dues increase. The new dues rate does not represent 100% of the capital required for the yearly operation of the RPA.



tax cut 'penalties'



The U.S. Congress has attempted to define investment "collectables," and has included certain tax penalties for such investments under specified conditions in the massive tax-cut bill recently approved.

The tax-cut bill, which has received great attention and media headlines in recent weeks, was changed, modified and rushed through Congress in the last few days of July and the first days of August.

In that rush, a collectable investment tax penalty was inserted into the final language of the legislation and passed along for President Reagan's signature with little argument and even less discussion.

Hobby and trade leaders in both the stamp and coin areas mounted last-minute campaigns to eliminate the surprise section of the tax-cut bill, but efforts reportedly failed as this edition of Linn's went to press.

The American Stamp Dealers' Association organized a telegram protest campaign that will reportedly continue — now aimed, however, at seeking repeal of the "collectable" provision of the bill before the effective date of Dec. 31. (See editorial, page 4.)

Among coin hobbyists, news of the legislation reached the American Numismatic Association convention in New Orleans during the last week of July, allowing somewhat more coordinated efforts to mobilize an entire industry against the pending bill.

The section of the tax-cut bill in question spells out "collectables" for some specified

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items, while allowing even more forms of "collectables" to fall under the legislation by the authority and determination of the U.S. Treasury Department.

Included in the bill, specifically, are collectables such as stamps, coins, metals, gems, art, antiques, rare wines and other alcoholic beverages, rugs and other items of "tangible personal property" as specified by the Treasury and/or its secretary.

The bill would effectively change the tax treatment for the acquisition of collectables relative to individually directed retirement accounts such as IRAs or Keogh plans.

It is believed to be somewhat less comprehensive than the broader tax assessment changes proposed under H.R. 1821, a piece of legislation introduced recently by Rep. James Shannon, D-Mass.

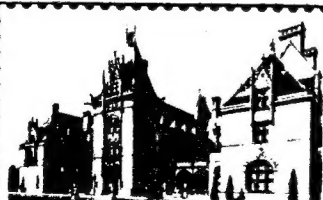
This legislation has been contested by economic and hobby spokesmen such as writer, investment analyst and lobbyist Howard J. Ruff, and philatelic organizations and publications such as Linn's (Aug. 10, page 4).

The "collectable" section of the massive tax-cut bill is believed to have surfaced during consideration by the House Ways and Means Committee, of which Rep. Shannon is a member.

It was reportedly inserted into the so-called Conable Amendment, one of two or more major amendment packages introduced during Ways and Means' consideration by committee member Barber B. Conable, R-N.Y.



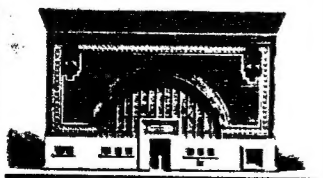
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Bernard M. Baruch B92 P457 Palace of Arts San Francisco
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Rochester P.O.

The Philatelic Windows at the Rochester Post Office, GMF on Jefferson Road in Henrietta is open additional Hours every Second & Fourth Wednesdays from 6:00pm - 8:00pm in the evenings. This is a special time period for the stamp collector.....



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'All very fine for you. If I went on strike, people wouldn't even notice for the first three weeks.'

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